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Mr. John Howard, Superintendent
Monocacy National Battlefield
and Antietam National Battlefield
USDI National Park Service
P.O. Box 158
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Dear Mr. Howard:

On June 22, 2003, I conducted an aerial survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Monocacy National Battlefield and Antietam National Battlefield. I am pleased to report that no defoliation was detected at, or in the vicinity of, your site. The gypsy moth suppression project conducted on May 7, 2003, at Monocacy National Battlefield successfully provided foliage protection for the entire 40 acre treatment area.

We will be conducting egg mass surveys this fall at Monocacy National Battlefield. I will be coordinating this survey with Andrew Banasik.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

RODNEY L. WHITEMAN
Forester
Forest Health Protection

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